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5           A tire mold 2 for curing new or retreaded tires 20 has an upper platen 4, a lower platen 6, and a central rim 30 with a frangible member 50 designed to open when a predetermined pressure  $P_1$  in excess of the normal curing pressure  $P_c$  is observed. The frangible member 50 preferably includes a rupture disk 60 that breaks upon exposure to the pressure  $P_1$ .

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